

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2849 - SB 3248

March 7, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the use of e-mail for the notification provisions of the "Underground Utility Damage Prevention Act". The bill also removes the requirement that utility operators that participate in a "one-call service" file notice with the county register of deeds regarding any planned excavations or demolitions and provide certain information regarding the one-call service itself to the register of deeds. Requires the use of "safety white" colored stakes or stakes with white paint for marking areas subject to excavation and demolition. A distinctive marking such as the initials of the operator's name would be required on such stakes if more than one operator in an area uses the same color code. Additionally, utility operators utilizing a one-call service would be required to notify the service when the locations of underground utilities subject to excavation and demolition have been marked.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:


Decrease Local Govt. Revenues – Not Significant
Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumption:

- A not significant decrease in local government revenues and a decrease in local government expenditures due to the loss of fees collected by registers of deeds due to the decreased filing requirements of the bill.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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